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**Height:** 4 feet (males)

**Length:** 5-8 feet (males)

**Weight** 330-500 lbs (males)

In general, female lions are smaller than males.

**Lifespan:** 10-14 years

**Top speed:** 55 mph for short distances

* Both male and female lions roar, and that roar can be heard over five miles away!
* Lions consume a wide variety of food, from wildebeest, impala, zebra, giraffe, buffalo and wild hogs to sometimes rhinos and hippos.
* They also feed on smaller animals such as hares, birds and reptiles. Lions are also known to attack elephants when food is scarce.

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